

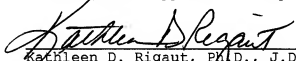
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 the Plastids of Higher)
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Petition for Extension Under 37 CFR \$1.136(a)

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time of Three (3) month beyond the time period set in the last office communication. The proper fee under 37 CFR \$1.17 is to be charged to Applicant's Deposit Account.


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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER37 C.F.R. \$1.111Introductory Comments

In response to the Official Action dated December 11, 2007, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: